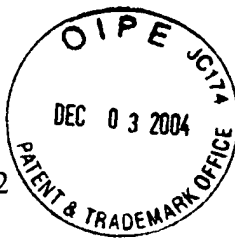


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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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	:	Group Art Unit: 2852
Application No.: 10/698,416	)	
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For: IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS AND	)	December 3, 2004
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to further examination on the merits, Applicants respectfully request that  
the above-identified application be further amended as follows:



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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a Preliminary Amendment in the above-identified application.

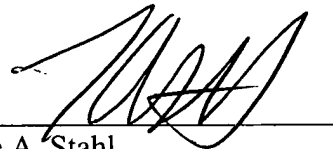
☒ An additional fee is required.

The fee has been calculated as shown below

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	(2) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		(4) HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	(5) PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	* 20	MINUS	** 20	= 0	x \$9 \$18	\$ 0.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	* 4	MINUS	*** 3	= 1	x \$44 \$88	\$88.00
Fee for Multiple Dependent claims \$150°/\$300						\$ 0.00
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT---						\$88.00

- ☐ Verified Statement claiming small entity status is enclosed, if not filed previously.
- ☒ A check in the amount of \$878.00 (including an RCE fee of \$790.00 and additional claim fee of \$88.00) is enclosed.
- ☐ Charge \$\_\_\_\_\_ to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- ☒ Any prior general authorization to charge an issue fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.18 to Deposit Account No. 06-1205 is hereby revoked. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required during the entire pendency of this application, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.
- ☐ A check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ to cover the fee for a \_\_\_\_\_ month extension is enclosed.
- ☐ A check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ to cover the Information Disclosure Statement fee is enclosed.
- ☒ Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,



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